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CONVENTION CALENDAR

AMES, IOWA:

5th Annual MID IOWA COIN-A-RAMA, Holiday Inn, February 24th & 25th. Contact Arthur G. Nelson, 619 East 13th St., Ames, Iowa, 50010.

MARSHALLTOWN, IOWA:

9th Annual Spring Show. Central Iowa Coin Club. Memorial Coliseum, Sat. & Sun., April 27th & 28th. Contact Paul Campbell Melbourne, Iowa, 50162.

FOREST CITY, IOWA:

Annual Spring Coin Show, Sat. & Sun, May 4th & 5th. Forest City Civic Auditorium. Dealer Bourse Tables & Exhibits. Refreshments and Security. Bourse dealers contact, Harry Peters, Route #2, Kana-wha, Iowa, 50447. Exhibitors contact Eugene Morris, General Chairman, Box 467, Forest City, Iowa, 50436.

CLINTON, IOWA:

11th Annual Spring Show, Moose Bldg., Highway 30 West Clinton, Sunday, May 5th. Contact Harold R. Hilbert, 409 N. 4th St., Clinton, Iowa. 52732.

DES MOINES, IOWA:

1968 Iowa Numismatic Ass'n Convention, Hotel Savery, Sat. & Sun., October 4th & 5th. General Chairman, L. Vince Davis. Ben Marlenee, Bourse Chairman, Contact Des Moines Coin Club, P.O. Box 57, Des Moines, Iowa, 50301.

NEWS FROM AROUND THE STATE

DES MOINES, IOWA:

Just received a letter from President of this club, L. Vince Davis about the setting of the date and contract signed for holding our 1968 convention at the Hotel Savery. Vince is General Chairman and Ben Marlenee, is the bourse chairman. Others as follows; Robert Good, Security, Howard Kipper, Registration, Al Eidt (I.N.A. Director) is Official Host, representing the I.N.A. Other members for the different jobs to be named later.

The club held an election of officers recently with results as follows: President, L. Vince Davis, V-President, Robert Good, Sec'y, Dorothy Immel, Treas., Mrs. Ray Mc Donald. Board Members: Del Comer, Howard Kipper, Ben Marlenee, Gregory Stark, Walter Johnson, Lowell Owen.

MARION, IOWA:

The Marion Collectors Club had a second hobby nite at their Nov. meeting. They had a Christmas program at Dec. meeting complete with entertainment and gift exchanging. Along with this an election of officers for the coming year: Wm. Sperry, President, Jack Caldwell, V-President, Truman Ramsell, Sec'y-Treas, Joy Erdman, Walt Erdman and Harlan Ziegenhorn as Directors.

FOREST CITY, IOWA:

This club will hold its annual Coin Show at the Forest City Civic Auditorium, one block west of Main Street on Sat. & Sun., May 4th & 5th. Gene Morris will be general Chairman. The Bourse Chairman is Harry Peters of Kanawha. There will be 30 bourse dealers. Exhibits welcome from any collector. Gene Morris will also serve as Exhibit Chairman. Lunch counter and 24 hour Security.

KEOKUK, IOWA:

Received quite an extensive bulletin from this club concerning their late fall all hobby show on Nov. 18th & 19th. More than 1000 people attended the show. Competitive displays were handled by Lee Marsh. Claude Bachtell won the I.N.A. Best of Show with his paper money display. Their club President, Helen Wallace won a first place in silver money. This was an all Hobby show and was termed a complete success. Our I.N.A. Historian W. E. Van Hook and his wonderful wife were in attendance with their tables of I.N.A. History.

AMES, IOWA:

Report via Art Nelson, club President. They held their Annual Social Hour in the Holiday Inn on Nov. 19th. Approximately 100 members and guests were present. Guest speaker was Lowell Owen, past President of the Adel and Des Moines Coin Clubs. His talk was on Paper Money and collecting in general. Door prizes were given with Junior members given an envelope of older coins to help them out. A movie was also shown. This club will host the 5th Mid Iowa Coin A Rama this year. It will be held in the Holiday Inn, Feb. 24th & 25th, in Ames.

CLARION, IOWA:

Received a bulletin from this club with quite a variety of general news bits. Their Dec. meeting was on the 20th and the Jan. meeting on the 17th. They advertise our I.N.A. Medals for sale along with Clarion Centennial Wooden Nickels at 10 cents each and Clarion Coin Show wooden nickels at 5 cents each if you are interested contact Don Gardner or Don Watts, 121 4th Ave. S. E., Clarion, Iowa 50315. (I.N.A. Medals, \$2.00 Bronze, \$5.00 Silver)

DAVENPORT, IOWA:

This club holds their monthly meeting in a new location, the Moose Club at 4th & Perry in downtown Davenport on the 1st Thursday of the month.

CLINTON, IOWA:

Our Clinton club held its annual Christmas party with refreshments. Cash door prizes and donated door prizes were given away. We will have our Annual Exhibit Nite at the February meeting. We will hold our Annual Spring Show at the Moose Club Bldg. on Hwy. 30 West of Clinton, 1st Sunday in May.

ROBBERIES:

I think possibly all of you have read of different robberies of coin collectors in all news media. I hope everyone will do some serious thinking about guarding their material in their homes and at the var-

ious shows and conventions. There have been prominent dealers from our own state and out of state who attend our functions who have made the news lately. Along with this, home robberies, who generally just make the local news. It is too bad we can not have our collections safe in our homes to admire or to carry them out to show to other collector friends at shows or meetings without the possibility of losing them through robbery. All I can offer myself through advice is to try to protect them the best you can and not be careless in exposing them or making it too easy for the thieves to acquire them.

REMINDERS:

Requesting again that you consider buying one of our I.N.A. medals if you haven't already done so. Price: Silver, \$5.00, Bronze, \$2.00. Write our Secretary or one of the area Directors.

If you are planning a club show for next year and want our I.N.A. Best of Show trophies contact one of our Directors, William Ott well in advance.

Last but not least. Continue to sell I.N.A. and sign up new members. We cannot afford not to.

PROPOSED JUDGING & EXHIBIT RULE CHANGES:

I have been approached by different exhibitors in this past year relative to making standard rulings for our Iowa club shows. We had in the past adopted the A.N.A. Exhibit rulings but evidently not everyone was satisfied or wanted to make their own rules or did not have the A.N.A. rules available to them or just never bothered about them. I realize that I am going out on a limb suggesting a standard to adhere to but if it will help clear up some of so called confusion that so many exhibitors claim there is I will at least try to get something feasible lined up for everyone's consideration and benefit. I have appointed Eugene Morris, one of our Directors who is a long time exhibitor as a committee of one to come up with various proposals after having contacted leading exhibitors and other state associations about their ideas on exhibiting rulings. I think Gene has done a lot of work and research on this and done a real good job. He has compiled this information on a mimeograph sheet and has mailed the proposals to all the clubs and exhibitors he knows asking their opinions. We are hoping that all parties receiving them will in turn write back to Gene what they think in order to give the Board of Directors an idea what could be done to clarify or simplify the situation. Along with this the newly adopted A.N.A. rules will also be given careful consideration. If the board should adopt a new set of rulings at our spring meeting we are hoping that it will be used 100% to be affective. There is a possibility we may require the use of these rulings in order to qualify for the I.N.A. Best of Show trophy. To sum it up in finale, I know we won't be able to satisfy everyone but lets have a uniformity to show other organizations that we are proud of our Iowa Exhibiting which is second to none in any field in the U.S. Anyone wishing a copy of these mimeographed proposals please contact Eugene Morris, Box 467, Forest City, Iowa, 50436.

PRESIDENT AND EDITOR'S DESK:

I know everyone is looking forward to this coming year with renewed interest and I think it is going to be a great year. With making the Proof Sets again (still no dollar) Mint marks on coins again, availability of ample coin supplies, old coins and gold coins on the upswing etc. I am also looking for another great year for our I.N.A. and its associated clubs and members. All clubs reporting a greatly sustained and increased attendance of meetings and activities. I only wish there were more of a interest created in liason between various clubs. There has been some increased interest in attending each other's meetings and I think this is for greater bondage in fraternity and I would like to see this increased between the clubs and our association as well. After reading my bulletins these many months I think you all realize that I live and breathe the idea of fraternity and I hope I will see the day that our fraternity will increase to the point that we will have 100% participation in our great convention each year, along with the various club shows both spring and fall. I note with regret of robberies concerning a great amount of money involving I.N.A. member and former director Jack Rogers, Vice President Dean Oakes and dealer Frank Klump an old friend from Blue Earth, Minn., hence the article on this subject. I also note the death of the wife of an old friend J. V. McDermott. Along with this the passing of the Scrapbook from the Hewitt Bros. to a new owner. And so it goes but the hobby lingers on as it has for hundreds of years. Before closing wish to say anyone not receiving their Calendar for 1968 please write to me and I will mail you one. Some of them might have been displaced in the Christmas mail rush. Closing with the Happiest and Best wishes for all our members for this coming year.

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